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H. R. 2541

To provide funding for multi-jurisdictional anti-gang task forces.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 21, 2009

Mr. DENT (for himself, Mr. BILBRAY, and Mr. GERLACH) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Anti-Gang Task Force
5 Act of 2009”.

6 **SEC. 2. ASSISTANCE FOR MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL ANTI-**
7 **GANG TASK FORCES.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General, in con-
9 sultation with appropriate State and local officials, shall—

10 (1) establish anti-gang task forces, consisting of
11 Federal, State, and local law enforcement authori-

1 ties, for the coordinated investigation, disruption,
2 apprehension, and prosecution of criminal gangs and
3 offenders;

4 (2) direct the reassignment or detailing from
5 any Federal department or agency (subject to the
6 approval of the head of that department or agency,
7 in the case of a department or agency other than the
8 Department of Justice) of personnel to each task
9 force;

10 (3) provide all necessary funding for the oper-
11 ation of the task force; and

12 (4) provide all necessary funding for national
13 and regional meetings of task forces, and all other
14 related organizations, as needed, to ensure effective
15 operation of such teams through the sharing of intel-
16 ligence, best practices and for any other related pur-
17 pose.

18 (b) MEMBERSHIP.—The task forces shall consist of
19 agents and officers, where feasible, from—

20 (1) the Federal Bureau of Investigation;

21 (2) the Drug Enforcement Administration;

22 (3) the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms,
23 and Explosives;

24 (4) the United States Marshals Service;

1 (5) the Directorate of Border and Transpor-
2 tation Security of the Department of Homeland Se-
3 curity;

4 (6) the Department of Housing and Urban De-
5 velopment;

6 (7) State and local law enforcement; and

7 (8) Federal, State, and local prosecutors.

8 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
9 are authorized to be appropriated \$20,000,000 for each
10 of the fiscal years 2009 through 2012 to carry out this
11 section.

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